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1. The export plan was not fulfilled during the first quarter of 1955. The following were under production as of May 1955:

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- a. Ten express locomotives, 84 tons each, for Poland:

On 20 February 1954, brake equipment for these locomotives was ordered from the VEB Berliner Bremsenwerk. On 19 March 1955, no equipment had arrived. Furthermore, out of the 8 wheel sets delivered by the VEB Radsatzfabrik Ilseburg, on 15 March 1955 seven were returned because the gear packing (Zahnversatz) had a tolerance higher than the permissible 0.5 mm. The VEB Sachsenwerk Niedersiedlitz did not deliver the traction motors (Fahrmotoren) GBM-530 on 31 December 1954, as agreed, but on 27 March 1955.

- b. Three replacement transfer cars, with spare parts, for the USSR:

These were to have been delivered on 31 March 1955. However, the brake equipment was not received until that date by the enterprise. The spare parts have not yet been completed.

2. For the East German mining industry, 18 electric locomotives, 75 tons each, were to have been delivered by 31 March 1955. However, not one complete set of brakes was available. The locomotives had to be switched half finished to the yards.
3. Of the 2,200,000 DIN parts required for the first quarter of 1955, 1,900,000 were completed. 2,000,000 DIN parts are lacking for the second quarter. As a result, the construction of steering equipment is endangered.
4. The enterprise is still to produce 8,000 refrigerators in 1955. The enameling, however, presents difficulties.

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5. Other production includes: 480 axle-box housings, 480 pressure plates, 1,000 reversing poles, and 960 crosshead guides (Gleitplatten). Zettler (fnu) from the SED Central Committee is to insure that the enterprise also produces screws (for other enterprises).
6. The Steering Construction Department (Abteilung Steuerbau) is to be moved to a new building which is supposed to be completed by the end of the summer.

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